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**MEMORANDUM FOR:**

**Headquarters USAF**

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**ATTENTION**

**: Colonel**

**SUBJECT**

**: Utilization Summary for U-2 Aircraft**

1. The following is a summary of utilization of Agency assigned U-2 aircraft:

**Covert Overflight Missions Flown to Date (Photo and ELINT)**

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26  
31  
151  
28  
49  
41  
6  
42

**TOTAL**

**374**

2. The following are the utilization rates for Agency assigned U-2 aircraft for Fiscal Year 1963:

Sorties (Total)	457
Flying Hours (Total)	1678
Average Aircraft Assigned	3.5
Flying Hours Per Aircraft Per Month	39.2
Operational	7.9
Ferry	4.1
Training	18.6
Test (Includes LAC R&D Test)	8.6
Average Scheduled Maintenance Hours Per Month Per Aircraft	15
Average Weeks Per Year In IRAN or Up-date Per Aircraft	15

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3. The following is an estimate of utilization for Fiscal Year 1964:

Sorties (Total)	475
Flying Hours (Total)	2600
Average Aircraft Assigned	7

4. During the period when the Agency is required to support the BRASS KNOB operation as in the current arrangement, our average scheduled maintenance hours per aircraft will increase substantially. Presently, we perform the periodic inspection and the aircraft is flown by the FOG unit. Therefore, the scheduled maintenance hours compared to hours flown on subsequent reports may increase considerably.

FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR (SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY)

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